

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A fluid separation device [[(10)]] for separating fluid or fluid spray from a gas with

at least one plate-like base carrier [[(21)]],

at least one fluid separator element [[(20)]] arranged in the base carrier [[(21)]], wherein the fluid separator element [[(20)]] comprises a flow-through tube [[(22)]] with a gas inlet [[(26)]] and with a gas outlet [[(27)]] and in the flow-through tube [[(22)]] between the gas inlet [[(26)]] and the gas outlet [[(27)]] there is arranged a worm-like segment [[(23)]] whose thread surfaces with the inner wall of the flow-through tube [[(22)]] form a worm-like flow path [[(25)]] for the gas,

characterised in that

the worm-like segment [[(23)]] has a length smaller or equal to 0.5 times the pitch of the worm-like segment [[(23)]], and each base carrier [[(21)]] with all flow-through tubes [[(22)]] and worm-like segments [[(23)]], which are arranged in it, is designed as one piece.

2 - 17 (Canceled)